



DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services

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Emergency Clearance: Public Information Collection Requirements Submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB)

AGENCY: Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) is announcing an opportunity for the public to comment on an information collection concerning CMS' Healthy Indiana Program (HIP) 2.0 Beneficiaries Survey. We are also announcing that the proposed information collection had been submitted to OMB and was approved under control number 0938-1300 through September 30, 2016. In accordance with the implementing regulations of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA) we requested emergency review under 5 CFR 1320.13(a)(2)(i) because public harm is reasonably likely to result if the regular clearance procedures were followed.

More specifically, the regular PRA clearance process would jeopardize the timely completion of CMS' evaluation of the State's upcoming non-emergency medical transportation (NEMT) waiver and other important waivers. Most importantly, it would potentially cause significant harm by depriving Medicaid beneficiaries--especially those affected by the NEMT waiver--of appropriate medical services and needed care.

Although we have already received OMB approval to test/develop the survey instruments, we are now soliciting public comment for 30-days prior to implementing the survey

in order to meet the conditions of OMB's Terms of Clearance that were issued on March 21, 2016.

Under the PRA, federal agencies are required to publish notice in the **Federal Register** concerning each proposed information collection request (ICR). Interested persons are invited to send comments regarding our burden estimates or any other aspect of this ICR, including any of the following subjects: (1) The necessity and utility of the proposed ICR for the proper performance of the agency's functions; (2) the accuracy of the estimated burden; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology to minimize the information collection burden.

DATES: Comments must be received by **[INSERT DATE 30 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER]**.

ADDRESSES: When commenting, please reference the document identifier (CMS-10615) or OMB control number (0938-1300). To be assured consideration, comments and recommendations must be submitted in any one of the following ways:

1. Electronically. You may send your comments electronically to <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the instructions for "Comment or Submission" or "More Search Options" to find the information collection document(s) that are accepting comments.

2. By regular mail. You may mail written comments to the following address:

CMS, Office of Strategic Operations and Regulatory Affairs

Division of Regulations Development

Attention: CMS-10615/OMB Control Number 0938-1300

Room C4-26-05

7500 Security Boulevard

Baltimore, Maryland 21244-1850.

To obtain copies of a supporting statement and any related forms for the proposed collection(s) summarized in this notice, you may make your request using one of following:

1. Access CMS' Web Site address at
<http://www.cms.hhs.gov/PaperworkReductionActof1995>.
2. E-mail your request, including your address, phone number, OMB number, and CMS document identifier, to Paperwork@cms.hhs.gov.
3. Call the Reports Clearance Office at (410) 786-1326.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Reports Clearance Office at (410) 786-1326.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

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This notice sets out a summary of the use and burden associated with the following ICR. More detailed information can be found in the collection's supporting statement and associated materials (see **ADDRESSES**).

CMS-10615 Healthy Indiana Program (HIP) 2.0 Beneficiaries Survey

Under the PRA (44 U.S.C. 3501-3520), federal agencies must obtain approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for each collection of information they conduct or sponsor. The term "collection of information" is defined in 44 U.S.C. 3502(3) and 5 CFR 1320.3(c) and includes agency requests or requirements that members of the public: submit reports, keep records, or provide information to a third party. In compliance with the requirement of section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the PRA, we submitted to OMB our request for emergency processing of this information collection. OMB approved the emergency ICR for

testing/developing the survey on March 21, 2016. This iteration seeks emergency approval for fielding the survey and for conducting interviews and focus groups.

Information Collection

1. Type of Information Collection Request: Revision of a currently approved collection; Title of Information Collection: Healthy Indiana Program (HIP) 2.0 Beneficiaries Survey; Use: This is a request for emergency approval to field the surveys and to conduct key informant interviews and focus groups. The surveys were tested during the first week of April 2016, and there was a week-long public comment period that was announced in the **Federal Register** on March 29, 2016 (81 FR 17460). This ICR contains the revised surveys based on testing and public comments provided during the survey testing period.

Emergency OMB approval is being sought, as permitted under 5 CFR 1320.13(a)(2)(i), since public harm is reasonably likely to occur if the regular non-emergency PRA clearance procedures are followed. Potential harm may result due to insufficient information to adequately support decision making that is required in November 2016. The clearance is particularly important for decisions about the renewal of precedent-setting waivers of Medicaid policy that assure important beneficiary protections regarding coverage and access to care; e.g., the NEMT waiver. That waiver ends or will be extended by no later than December 1, 2016. The survey effort is critical to supply more detail and information on HIP 2.0 beneficiary understanding and experiences (current and new enrollees as well as disenrollees/lockouts). Other information on other key policies under the Indiana HIP 2.0 demonstration, such as the 60 day beneficiary lock-out period, is also included in this information collection. Including this other information, as well as the interviews and focus groups, with the NEMT related information allows all this information to be collected during the same period of time; this will improve the efficiency of

resources when compared to fielding separate surveys, interviews and focus groups at a later time which would be needed under the regular PRA process. Form Number: CMS-10615 (OMB control number: 0938-1300); Frequency: Once; Affected Public: Individuals and households, Private sector (Business or other for-profits and Not-for-profits institutions), and State, Local, or Tribal Governments; Number of Respondents: 5,240; Total Annual Responses: 5,240; Total Annual Hours: 1,442. (For policy questions regarding this collection contact Teresa DeCaro at 202-384-6309).

Written comments and recommendations will be considered from the public if received by the date and address noted above.

Dated: April 29, 2016.

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